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In Re Application of: Akihiro KONDO	Art Unit: 1637
Appln. No. 09/830,652	Examiner: S. CHUNDURI
Date Filed: April 30, 2001	Washington, D.C.
For: METHOD FOR DETECTING GENE AFFECTED BY ENDOCRINE DISRUPTOR	Atty.'s Docket: KONDO=7
	Date: December 8, 2004

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP _____1637_____

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a [X] REPLY: AMENDMENT AND REMARKS in the above-identified application.

[ ] Small Entity Status: Applicant(s) claim small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27.

[XX] No additional fee is required.

[ ] The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col. 1) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(Col. 2) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(Col. 3) PRESENT EXTRA EQUALS		SMALL ENTITY RATE	SMALL ENTITY ADDITIONAL FEE	OR	OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY RATE	OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY ADDITIONAL FEE
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FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM						+ 150	$		+ 300	$
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*   If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3.

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[XX] Conditional Petition for Extension of Time

If any extension of time for a response is required, applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor.

[ ] It is hereby petitioned for an extension of time in accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a). The appropriate fee required by 37 CFR 1.17 is calculated as shown below:

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[ ]	Second	-	$ 215.00	[ ]	Second	-	$ 430.00
[ ]	Third	-	$ 490.00	[ ]	Third	-	$ 980.00
[ ]	Fourth	-	$ 765.00	[ ]	Fourth	-	$ 1530.00

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[XX] The Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge any additional fees which may be required in connection with this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4035. This authorization and request is not limited to payment of all fees associated with this communication, including any Extension of Time fee, not covered by check or specific authorization, but is also intended to include all fees for the presentation of extra claims under 37 CFR §1.16 and all patent processing fees under 37 CFR §1.17 throughout the prosecution of the case. This blanket authorization does not include patent issue fees under 37 CFR §1.18.

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Sir:

Replying to the Office Action mailed September 9 and the Advisory Action mailed November 23, 2004, please amend as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.